



Press Release

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During the early evening hours of September 10th, Lake County Sheriff's Office responded to three (3) reported *Burglaries* within its jurisdiction. Two (2) of the burglaries occurred in Perry Township. The first home was burglarized on River Road, and the second on South Ridge Rd. The third burglary report was on Vrooman Rd., near Carter Rd. in Leroy Twp.

All of the burglaries involved the suspect(s) making forced entry into either a rear window and/or a rear door. Once entry was gained to these residences the perpetrator(s) stole several items of jewelry from the interior of the homes.

Anyone with information regarding these attempted burglaries should report their information to the Lake County Sheriff's office at (440) 350-5620, or you can contact via email by using our website at:
<http://www.lakecountyohio.gov/Default.aspx?alias=www.lakecountyohio.gov/sheriffoffice>

The Sheriff's Office encourages everyone to keep their doors and windows secured when not at home, always maintain adequate lighting on the exterior of the home to discourage criminals, and report any unusual activity in the neighborhood. It is recommended that all residents keep good inventories of all of your personal belongings so you can accurately report any missing property in your home. Such information is key to an investigation by law enforcement. Having recent photographs of your property, especially jewelry and other valuables, aids in locating and identifying recovered items. Engraving valuables for quick identification discourages criminals, and makes property identification much easier.

Residents are encouraged to be vigilant regarding home security. The most common threat to our home is burglary. Burglary occurs somewhere in the United States every 15.4 seconds. Many of home and apartment burglaries occur during the daytime when most people are away at work or school. Although home burglaries may seem random in occurrence, they actually involve a selection process. Statistically the months of July and August have the most

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burglaries while February has the fewest crimes. Most often burglaries are committed by young males under 25 looking for items that are small, expensive, and can easily be converted to cash such as cash, jewelry, guns, watches, laptop computers, CDs and other small electronic devices. Visit the Lake County Sheriff's Office website at:

<http://www.lakecountyohio.gov/LakeCountyOhioSheriffHomeSecurity/tabid/1346/Default.aspx> for a few suggestions to minimize your risk by making your home unattractive to potential burglars.

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